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Photo by Staff Sgt. Michael Kenner, 127th Multimedia

Wing members mark off a UXO during the recent Operational Readiness Exercise at the Alpena Combat Readiness Training Center, by using their checklists and Airman's Manual. All members should be familiar with and use the Airman's Manual.

## Buddy Up

What is a "buddy check?" A buddy check is a constant check of ground crew ensemble to ensure that it is being worn correctly, a string hasn't come untied, or the mask isn't fogging up.

Buddy checks are never complete! They are an ongoing process that ensures all wing members are properly wearing their GCE. As long as you are in any MOPP level, buddy checks must be performed.

Check out your neighbor. Check out that person you're walking past. You may see something he or she cannot.

### In MOPP 2 check for:

- \*Vinyl overboots secured
- \*Zippers and Velcro on pants secured
- \*Drawstrings on pant legs secured
- \*Three snaps securing jacket to pants fastened
- \*Drawstring on jacket front secured
- \*Zipper on jacket front all the way up to the top

- \*Velcro straps at wrists secured

### In MOPP 4 check for:

- \*All MOPP 2 checks
- \*Under-arm hood straps secured
- \*Hood drawstring fastened into one arm strap Velcro pad
- \*Gloves tucked into sleeves and Velcro wrist straps secured
- \*Mask Carrier closed
- \*Mask fogging



# Commander's Column

**By Major Andrew Reeder**  
107th Weather Flight Commander



Nearly eighteen months ago, I received a telephone call with the news that one of our airmen, MSgt Henry Christle, was seriously injured while performing a mission as a forward special operations weather forecaster and observer in southeast Afghanistan. As news began to travel about the event, several military offices became quickly involved. A wave of phone calls, coordination, and support was immediately generated, but it was impossible to predict the immense network of support systems that was about to kick in.

The Michigan Air National Guard Headquarters, the 127th Wing, Air Force Special Operations Command, the Pentagon, the National Guard Bureau, and many others, all reached out to provide direction, assistance, and support. It was amazing to observe the many different agencies and offices that become involved when an event such as this occurs.

I've sometimes heard it mentioned, or implied, that a particular branch of service, or a particular type of unit, has more of a "wartime" mission than others. The American public sees, on a regular basis, images from Iraq and Afghanistan of injured soldiers and Marines; not so common however, are those images of injured sailors and airmen. Certain military career fields are

more at risk to direct combat action than others. However, I believe that all personnel should recognize the importance of every component of the military mission, and understand that an administrative or support task is just as important to the success of the mission as that of an infantryman in the battlespace.

Immediately upon receiving word about MSgt Christle's injury, I discovered the vast support system of military career fields and agencies that would play a key role in his MEDEVAC, transport to the States, treatment, and recovery. The daily transfer of information and administrative support from several offices was critical to accurate information being briefed to senior officials who were tracking this situation.

Here at Selfridge, several people played a key role in this process. The support infrastructure of several different offices on base contributed greatly to the mission. Such is the same with the overall mission of the 127th Wing. From medics and pilots, maintainers and engineers, security forces and information managers, this unit is filled with outstanding individuals and teams and we all individually contribute to the success of our mission.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you of the 127th Wing who contributed their support and assistance during this time.



## ...From the Chief's Desk

**By Chief Master Sgt. David E. Riviera**  
127th Communications Squadron



In preparation for the 127th ORI, communications personnel were sent as observers to several recent inspections. This article shares some of the lessons learned from other units during their ORIs.

There are communications items that involve the participation of all wing members. The inspectors will send out teams throughout the wing to inspect computers for unauthorized software, current anti-virus definitions, software security updates and that screen saver passwords are set. These items will be checked during both phases of the inspection.

Two important answers to remember when handed a communications related input by an IG team member are:

1. Who is the Client Support Administrator (CSA) for your work area?
2. Are you following the 127WG IMT-1 checklist form?

Your CSA is the first line of support for any computer problem - know the CSA assigned to your work area. The 127WG IMT-1 checklist details steps to follow when your computer has a virus, a Classified Message Incident (CMI), or intrusion.

Anyone of us can expect to receive an IG input scenario for a virus or CMI. Computer viruses are commonly received in e-mail attachments and while web browsing. CMIs are e-mails

that contain classified information.

Common virus scenario write-ups include users not following checklists, not disconnecting computers from the network after virus infection, not reporting the incident promptly and a lack of urgency displayed by those involved.

Common CMI scenario write-ups include not securing the affected computer by someone with the proper security clearance and users communicating details about the incident via non-secure means. The details of a CMI are classified and should only be discussed by secure methods such as STU, STE, Siprnet, or runner.

All users need to be familiar with INFOCONs and what actions are associated with them. The IG will expect wing members to know the current INFOCON level: Normal, Alpha, Bravo, Charlie or Delta.

The IG team members will be verifying that network users have current USAF Information Assurance Awareness training on record.

COMSEC material must be safeguarded while at home station or deployed. COMSEC material must be properly accounted for; safes numbered, and superseded COMSEC destroyed properly.

Ensure COMSEC emergency action plans are current. Know that your Selfridge COMSEC manager is Yvonne Belfontaine, at Alpena its MSgt. Shawn McHenry.





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Saturday, Oct. 1.

# WING MEMBERS AWARDED BRONZE STAR FOR EFFORTS WHILE DEPLOYED

**By Senior Airman Alec Lloyd**

*127th Wing Public Affairs*

Two members of the 127th Wing recently received recognition for their efforts while on deployment in Iraq.

Lt. Col. Charles J. Dierkes, Jr., was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement as deputy commander of operations for the 506th Expeditionary Operations Group, 332nd Air Expeditionary Wing at Kirkuk Regional Air Base in Iraq. From Feb. 22 to June 5, 2004, Col. Dierkes help lead 5,000 Air Force, Army and coalition members in the successful completion of their assigned missions.

As second in command, Col. Dierkes played a key role in ensuring safe and efficient fighter, airlift and helicopter flight operations in support of Coalition forces throughout Iraq. During this period, units at the base generated more than 800 sorties and 2800 hours of close air support delivering 63 precision-guided weapons.

Dierkes' tenure also saw the first combat employment of the Theater Airborne Reconnaissance System, dramatically improving intelligence available for coalition forces in Iraq.

His citation credits him with revamping the base command post structure, improving communications and enhancing

base recovery – all while under hostile fire.

Also receiving the Bronze Star was Lt. Col. Kasbow for exceptionally meritorious service in connection with combat operations as base physician's assistant at An Numaniyah Military Training Base from Feb. 4 to May 25, 2005. His exceptional leadership and engineering skills were instrumental in fielding an Iraqi base medical clinic serving nearly 10,000 Iraqi soldiers.

He also organized and supervised an Iraqi medical clinic of 57 personnel into departments with a formal change of command, allowing it to be more effective and efficient.

Col. Kasbow performed health assessments on more than 300 Iraqi physicians, resulting in 8,000 recruitment physicals over nine days. He also assisted Iraqi physicians in managing and evacuating trauma patients to the next higher echelon of care.

"The Wing is truly grateful to have so many dedicated professionals and I am honored to serve along side them," said Brig. Gen. Richard G. Elliott. "Col. Dierkes and Col. Kasbow have represented the best Michigan and the 127th Wing have to offer and we are immensely proud of them."

**Assisting the Rescue 4/Red Cross Hurricane Relief effort on Saturday, September 10 at WDIV TV Channel 4, five members of the 127th Wing volunteered their time answering phone lines accepting donations. With the help of the 127th Wing members, Senior Airman Christina Wright, Senior Airman Sunshine Galvez, Senior Airman Johnneatta Mclean, Master Sgt. Jutta Parks, Master Sgt. Ernest Smith and Tech. Sgt. James Gamble, the Red Cross was able to collect more than \$1 million in donations through the WDIV phone banks.**

**Right: Sgts. Smith and Gamble had fun while volunteering for a worthwhile cause.**



# Wing members bring aid to hurricane victims

By Senior Airman Alec Lloyd

127th Wing Public Affairs

When the call went out for assistance in dealing with Hurricane Katrina cleanup, the 127th Wing was ready and willing to answer it.

Despite ongoing deployments across the world, the 171st Airlift Squadron was rapidly able to use its airlift capability to bring critical supplies and troops into New Orleans and evacuate victims of the storm and subsequent flooding.

As of September 12, the 171st ALS had performed 500 missions, transported more than 200 passengers, and moved 930 tons of cargo related to Hurricane Katrina relief efforts.

Staff Sgt. Johnny Ricks, a loadmaster with the 171st ALS, was on a flight that took place the first weekend in September.

"We got out 89 people that still could have been there," Ricks said. "And two dogs."

He said that the gratitude of the passengers was something he had never experienced before - the vast majority thanked the crew before leaving the aircraft.

"I was very surprised," he said. "There were a lot of thank you's coming off that plane. That made it worth it."

He noted that for many residents this flight on a Selfridge C-130 was their first on any aircraft.

For Major Bob Sack, an aircraft commander, the experience

simply reinforced the role of the Air National Guard in supporting civilian agencies in times of natural disaster.

"Disaster relief doesn't feel any different from a combat mission," Sack said. "In both cases you have people in a hectic situation that have to go somewhere and you have to move them."

For Senior Master Sgt. Dan Wiseley, the most rewarding part was the challenges the mission posed - and the satisfaction of using one's training and experience to conquer them.

"We had to exercise our initiative and intuitive problem solving," the loadmaster said. In Sergeant Wiseley's case, that included finding a way to secure dozens of wheelchair-bound patients for transport - a task that other civilian carriers balked at.

"There is no direction for wheelchairs," Sergeant Wiseley said. "That ain't in the book." Wiseley didn't let a lack of Air Force guidance stop him. Drawing upon his own experience and ingenuity, he devised a method for safely restraining the wheelchairs and their occupants, all of whom safely reached their destination.

"You've got to make decisions and get 'er done,"

Wiseley said.

Sergeant Ricks agreed that the mission called for extra courage and resourcefulness. "It wasn't one for the timid."

Thanks to the efforts of aircrew members like these, the 171st ALS was able to make a big difference in the lives of hurricane victims.

**"Disaster relief doesn't feel any different from a combat mission," Major Sack said.**

## Selfridge airmen weather the storm

By Senior Airman Alec Lloyd

127th Wing Public Affairs

When Senior Airman Ryan Glynn of the 191st Operations Support Flight

was sent to Keesler Air Force Base in to study meteorology, he did not expect the lesson plan to include surviving an actual hurricane.

Airman Glynn's class was within days of graduation when Hurricane Katrina turned north towards the gulf coast. As the Biloxi, Miss., base prepared for impact, Airman Glynn's instructors accelerated their course, allowing the class, that had been there since Jan. 31, to complete their training.

According to Airman Glynn, the base was locked down at 8 a.m. on Aug. 28 and all members put into shelters. Glynn was on the last bus to drop off students at their reinforced largely windowless building and, as he arrived, the first tornado warning sounded. He spent the next four days eating Ready to Eat and completing class work.

"You really didn't notice when the hurricane hit," he said. "You could hear the structure move, but there weren't any windows so you couldn't see. I'll never forget it, that's for sure."

Tech. Sergeant Starlet Sanders, 127th Aircraft Group, was attending the information management school at Keesler. Sergeant Sanders was three months into a seven-month technical school when she heard news of the approaching storm.

Having weathered a previous hurricane while serving at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, she was not alarmed.

"The first hurricane was like a severe thunderstorm," Sergeant Sanders said.

"It wasn't as bad."

The first tornado warning, however, convinced her that this was different. Her shelter - the same building that housed her classroom - shook violently and began to leak. Through the narrow windows, she and her classmates watched in awe as lamp posts were toppled over, trees were stripped of all their branches, a trailer flipped over and a fire hydrant inexplicably turned itself on.

Every two hours her building held a prayer session as the hurricane raged around them. There were 16 people per room and though students had been advised to bring food and clothes for only two days, many had brought additional supplies. In the end, the confinement lasted four days, proving her adage: "Plan for the worst and pray for the best."

After the storm had passed, she joined those inspecting the damage. The storm smashed the windows of her car and left it flooded - a total loss. The Jeep next to it was crushed when two oak trees fell on it.

"They did an excellent job of taking care of us and keeping us abreast of what was going on," Sergeant Sanders said of the base leadership. "As they heard the news, they filtered it down to us in the shelter. They did a good job."

Unfortunately, the extensive damage meant that the information management class had to be cancelled. Still Sanders is grateful to survive the storm and will never forget it.

# SGLI COVERAGE TAKES EFFECT SEPT. 1

WASHINGTON (AFPN) — The Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance maximum coverage will increase to \$400,000 on Sept. 1, Department of Defense officials said.

Servicemembers eligible for SGLI will automatically be insured for the maximum coverage of \$400,000. The monthly premium remains \$3.25 per \$50,000 of coverage, so the monthly premium for full coverage will be \$26.00 beginning in September.

These changes will not affect coverage under Family SGLI, which will continue under previously existing elections.

A person who wishes to retain the \$400,000 of coverage with beneficiary designations as before Sept. 1 does not need to take any action. The \$400,000 of coverage will apply along with the new premiums and beneficiary designations will remain the same.

Even people who had previously declined SGLI coverage or elected less than the maximum coverage, will automatically be covered for \$400,000. If they wish to again decline or reduce the coverage, they must complete a new SGLV 8286 form indicating the amount of coverage desired including no coverage if applicable.

If a servicemember properly completes and submits the form before Sept. 30, he or she will not be liable for the September premium associated with the reduced or declined portion of coverage.

This gives servicemembers 30 days to reduce or decline unwanted coverage without charge. Units will be asked to process elections as expeditiously as possible to avoid the necessity for corrections in financial transactions.

The Defense Finance and Accounting Service will refund premiums deducted for coverage in September, when the servicemember files a valid election to reduce or decline the coverage between Sept. 1 and 30.

The new SGLV 8286 form is available on the Department of Veterans Affairs Web site at [www.insurance.va.gov](http://www.insurance.va.gov). Entries can be made on the page and then downloaded.

Valid SGLI elections become effective the first day of the month after properly submitting the election form. So, all U.S. servicemembers will be fully insured for \$400,000 throughout the month of September, regardless of any election filed before or during September.

If a servicemember dies in September after completing an election for reduced coverage or no coverage, his or her beneficiaries will still receive a \$400,000 payment. Those electing to decline or reduce coverage during September will essentially receive the September automatic coverage at no cost.

Servicemembers who do not make an election to reduce or decline coverage from the \$400,000 level before Oct. 1 will pay the premium for the full \$400,000 of coverage for September as well as for any other month in which the level of coverage remains in effect.

When a servicemember properly completes and submits SGLV Form 8286 on or after Oct. 1 to reduce or decline coverage, the reduction is effective the first day of the month after the form is properly submitted.

## Civilian employment information program

by Army Master Sgt. Bob Haskell

*Armed Forces Print News*

A new Defense Department reporting system has begun so members of all seven reserve components can register their employers.

DOD decision-makers need to know the civilian employers and government agencies of the department's nearly 1.2 million National Guardsmen and reservists, officials said. The database will, among other things, give officials a better idea of who should, and should not, be mobilized for national emergencies, they said.

The database, called the civilian employment information program, allows for guardsmen and reservists to comply with the law requiring them to inform DOD of how they are employed when not performing their military duties.

Guardsmen and reservists must register 10 specific data fields concerning their civilian employers and job skills to meet three requirements mandated by law.

Mr. Chu said the Defense Department must:

-- Give consideration to civilian workers, including emergency responders, necessary to maintain the national health, safety and interests when considering which Guard and Reserve members should be called to active duty.

-- Ensure more members with critical civilian jobs and skills are not retained in the reserve components than are necessary to respond to emergencies.

-- Inform the reservists' civilian employers of their rights and responsibilities under the 1994 Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act.

The information could be another tool to help determine which units or members of the Ready Reserve should be mobilized, defense officials said. Information about full-time employers also would make it possible for DOD officials to enhance employer support for the Guard and Reserve, officials said.

The law also requires all members of reserve components to notify appropriate defense officials about any changes in their civilian employment.

The requirement on the part of guardsmen or reservists to provide the data is not a violation of the Privacy Act, Mr. Hall said. The program is the extension of existing personnel-data records and is covered under previous Privacy Act notices, he said.

Unlike previous military-service efforts to voluntarily gather employer data, registering information in this program is mandatory. Guard and Reserve members who knowingly fail or refuse to provide that information, or who knowingly provide false employment-related information, may be subject to administrative action or punishment, officials said.

**Editor's Note: Register your civilian employer information at <http://www.dmdc.osd.mil/Guard-ReservePortal>. Members must register even if unemployed.**



## BAH RECERTIFICATION

Starting during the November 2005 UTA, finance will start the 3-year BAH recertification process. Every 3 years, all military personnel are required to re-certify their dependent status for the Basic Allowance for Housing entitlement.

Each month, finance will process only a portion of the Wings personnel. We will use the last digit of the SSAN. The schedule for processing looks like this:

November 2005 – last SSAN digit of 0 (zero)    December 2005 – last SSAN digit of 1

January 2006 - last SSAN digit of 2

February 2006 - last SSAN digit of 3

March 2006 - last SSAN digit of 4

April 2006 – last SSAN digit of 5

May 2006 - last SSAN digit of 6

June 2006 - last SSAN digit of 7

July 2006 - last SSAN digit of 8

August 2006 - last SSAN digit of 9

Failure to recertify will result in possible loss of BAH entitlements.

Full time personnel can come in and recertify at any time during the work week.

Personnel who are scheduled to deploy should come in early to recertify. Everyone knows well in advance if and when they are going.

People who are still single, or still married will only have to fill out a new recertification form.

Those people who have recently married, had a new child, or are newly divorced will have to bring documentation with them to support the change in dependent status i.e. marriage certificate, birth certificate, divorce settlement.

Finance will provide the necessary forms and have personnel available to assist each member with their forms or with questions.

## NEW FIRST AID KIT MODERNIZES EXISTING UNITS, TREATS BROADER RANGE OF COMBAT TRAUMA

Current Operations have focused on the “Battlefield Airman” concept to properly prepare our troops for the reality of today’s expeditionary operations, using lessons learned from OIF/OEF. AF CENTCOM is procuring a new Individual First Aid Kit for all Air Force Personnel in CENTCOM or AOR. It is designed to modernize first aid kits with the latest technology to treat a broader range of combat trauma. The updated IFAK contains six new items: oral electrolyte replinsher, nasopharyngeal, emergency bandage, micropur water purification, quick clot hemostatic agent, and a combat application tourniquet.

Recently, Lt. Col. Richard Kasbow, 127th Medical Group, returned from deployment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. While deployed he received training from Army Combat Lifesavers. Kasbow attests to the importance of the Self Aid Buddy Care Program and how it saves lives and limbs.

The training is not only a life and limb saver in the battlefield, but also on the homefront for emergencies.

There are a few questions Airmen should be prepared to answer:

- 1) If you are hurt, what will take place until medical treatment is provided to you?
- 2) Do you know what to do in case of a medical emergency, until you can seek appropriate medical attention?

Air Force Medical Services is working better to train and equip Airmen to respond to life threatening injuries. Supplemental training with these new supplies can be located on the SABC Website: <https://kx.afms.mil/sabc>.

## Get your Wing Ball tickets now

This year’s 127th Wing Ball will be another spectacular occasion for Detroit to include on its list of events, after the All-Star Game and before the 2006 Superbowl.

The annual event, this year sponsored by Wing Headquarters, will be held at the Renaissance Center Marriot Hotel ballroom on Saturday, November 5. The evening begins at 6 p.m. with a social time and the Wing Outstanding Performers of the Year awards ceremony follows dinner.

Event coordinator Mrs. Peggy Peplinski, spoke highly of the changes to this year’s venue.

“I’m really looking forward to having the Ball at such a prestigious location.” She further commented that the Renaissance Center’s ballroom is more spacious and that wing members will really feel as though they are at a “Ball.”

The Wing Ball committee has also looked into finding ways to shorten, but not detract from, the wing’s Outstanding Performers Awards Ceremony which is main purpose of the event.

“After the year this wing has had with the Airshow, deploy-

ments, UCIs, OREs and ORI, we deserve a top-notch evening out,” said volunteer emcee for the evening, Lt. Col. Rolf Mamman, 127th Wing Inspector General.

Other changes in store for ball attendees will be a plated dinner, rather than a dinner served family-style as in years past. This change, too, should shorten the length of the official program, thereby allowing more time at the end of the evening for socializing and dancing.

Tickets are \$30 each and will be available during the October drill weekend and during the ORI, but members are encouraged to make their purchases early during the UTA to avoid forgetting to get tickets after the “war” kicks off. Tickets will not be available at the November drill, so this is the last chance to get them.

All wing members are encouraged to come out and support the outstanding airmen of the year candidates and to enjoy a Ball to Remember! Contact your unit’s first sergeant for ticket information. Rooms are available at the military rate at the Best Western Concord Inn on Gratiot outside the base’s main gate.

Airman 1st Class Joy Hughes



Unit: 127th Security Forces Squadron  
HomeTown: Harper Woods, Mich.

Airman 1st Class Henry McCall



Unit: 127th Civil Engineer Squadron  
HomeTown: Holland, Mich.

Senior Airman Irene Romano



Unit: 127th Wing  
HomeTown: Houston, Texas

Staff Sgt. Roger Ryder



Unit: 127th Security Forces Squadron  
HomeTown: Grand Blanc, Mich.

Airman 1st Class Chris Tarquinio



Unit: 127th Civil Engineer Squadron  
HomeTown: Clinton Twp., Mich.

Staff Sgt. Ryan Truesdell



Unit: 127th Wing Fire Department  
HomeTown: Rochester Hills

Senior Airman Tina Wilcox



Unit: 127th Mission Support Flight  
HomeTown: New Baltimore, Mich.

Airman 1st Class Shauntay Williams



Unit: 127th Wing  
HomeTown: Detroit

Airman 1st Class Justin Yee



Unit: 127th Wing  
HomeTown: Davisburg, Mich.

## “SPEAK TODAY, SHAPE TOMORROW”

**By Chief Master Sgt. Bob Dobson**  
127th Wing Human Resource Advisor

Your opinion counts. Have you ever wondered if your leaders really know what is going on in your work area? Here is your opportunity to ensure they do.

The Air Force Chief of Staff has directed the implementation of an Air Force-wide Climate Survey (AFCS), “Speak Today, Shape Tomorrow”. Between October 1 and November 23

each of us will have the opportunity to provide *anonymous* feedback to our leaders through a simple online survey. This survey assesses 13 factors that impact units and work centers: Leadership, Supervision, Unit Performance Outcomes, General Satisfaction, Unit Resources, Unit Flexibility, Training and Development, Recognition, Teamwork, Core Values, Job Characteristics, Job Enhancement, and Participation and Involvement.

Eligible participants include ANG Technicians, AGRs, Traditional Guard members, Appropriated Fund Civilians, and Nonappropriated Fund Civilians.

The survey should take approximately thirty minutes to complete. You may do so on any computer (military or civilian) connected to the internet, by simply logging onto <https://afclimatesurvey.af.mil> between October 1 and November 23.

Remember this, “If you want to shape tomorrow, you must speak today.”

# NEWS BRIEFS

## 2005 UTA DATES

*Oct. 1-2*                      *Nov. 5-6*  
*Dec. 3-4*

## 2006 UTA DATES

The 127th Wing 2006 UTA dates will be as follows:

*Jan. 21-22*                      *\*Jul. 15-16*  
*Feb. 11-12*                      *Aug. 12-13*  
*Mar. 11-12*                      *Sep. 16/17*  
*Apr. 8-9*                        *Oct. 21/22*  
*May 6-7*                         *Nov. 4-5*  
*Jun. 3-4*                         *Dec. 2-3*

\*NOTE - AMC portion of the wing will RUTA, and ACC portion of the wing will BUTA from 3-4 Oct. 2005.

## FIRST SGT VACANCY

The 127th Mission Support Group is currently seeking a new First Sergeant. Interested members must submit a resume and a letter in intent to Command Chief Master Sergeant Stephen G. Krajewski via e-mail, or deliver a hard copy to building 303, room 212, no later than the close of business Sunday, 17 November 2005.

Applicants must meet all applicable criteria described in AFI 36-2113, The First Sergeant; AFM 36-2108, Attachment 39, Enlisted Classification; AFI 36-2101, Classifying Military personnel; and AFI 36-2626, Airman Retraining Program. Specifically, Applicants must:

- have a minimum ASVAB General Score of 62 or Administrative score of 41,
- be a Master Sergeant or a promotable Technical Sergeant at the time of application,
- have a Physical Profile (PULHES) of 333231 or better.

-have a minimum score of 75 on the Fitness Exam

It is the applicant's responsibility to provide proof of any information that is not on file with the 127th Military Personnel Flight.

Contact Chief Krajewski (UTA 5828 work 586-307-5459 cell 586-453-6388) for more information

## OCTOBER UTA PARKING

An ORI Parking Plan will be in effect during the October UTA and through the ORI. This will accommodate Phase I force protection condition upgrades. Members should look for information on where to park in unit newsletters prior to the UTA. Members can also contact their unit for this information. The ORI Parking Plan will be very similar to the ORE Parking plan; however, there have been a few changes made.

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